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25X1 Reports from the Slovak garrison town of Kosice indicate that the Czechoslovak 1. Army has now, for a short time only, come into possession of an atomic field gun. The gun is reported to be of medium caliber and smaller than the American atomic field pieces now actually in Germany.

Secret firing tests are reported to have taken place in the presence of Soviet experts. The tests were made in narrow passes of the Carpathian Mountains, in the Soviet sub-Carpathian area. An artillery regiment, specially trained to handle this new weapon, is said to have been stationed in Kosice. 2.

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